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## BLACK BEAR IN AROMAS?

*By Tony Langmayer*



A 300+ pound black bear (cinnamon colored boar), was hit and killed by a car in Aromas on June 9.

Don Pine, biologist with the Department of Fish and Game said, "Normally during drought years some come down looking for food and water. Wild bears normally are not dangerous. If they smell your scent they take off in the other direction. It's only when they are slightly domesticated, like in zoos, or hungry that they are dangerous."

Pine had the head and the paws of the bear removed for age identification and to avoid removal by poachers. Judging by the size of the skull, 12 inches long, and the 7 1/2 inch long paws, the bear may qualify for the Boone and Crockett record book. Neither Pine nor Carmel Babich, a DFG Warden, say they know who hit the bear, but a report from the California Highway Patrol names the motorist as Jed Friedland of Monterey.

The CHP reported on June 9 receiving a call that a bear was hit on Rocks Road near the Eucalyptus grove on Highway 101 .

Friedland, driving south-bound on 101 around 10:30 p.m. was really surprised when a bear loped across his path.

"I was driving in the slow lane. Before I knew it there was this bear. I hit him head-on and he came up over the hood and kept going up over the car," he said.

Friedland stopped to check the damage done to his '83 Volvo and to the bear. The car was basically destroyed, but the bear was gone. He wired his hood shut and drove to the nearest telephone.

"When I called the police they were more interested in what drugs I was taking to have seen this than the injured bear. But the next day they called and apologized saying that a bear had been sighted," he said. "The whole thing was pretty strange."

"They are being exposed more because of the drought," Pine said. "The bears are coming north from Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties where they are very common. There have been only a few reports in Monterey County over the years, and bears in San Benito County are almost unheard of."

"The "EXTERMINATION" of the grizzly bear from central California in the 1920's left more room for the black bears," Pine said.

The carcass was buried by a volunteer resident of the area where the bear died.

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# THE ACACIA

By now you know who we are. The ACACIA has broken from the pack and established a leadership position among village publications by focusing on our community.

The journalists who write and edit The ACACIA...the most experienced professional editorial staff in village publications...are breaking new ground in providing comprehensive community information for you. To help you in day-to-day living. To help you enjoy the natural resources of our area.

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(chief cook and bottle washer)

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# AROMAS DAY AUGUST 20, 1989

*sponsored by the Aromas Service Club*

BEST DRESSED BIKE CONTEST - 11 A.M. FOR KIDS. Join the fun in a hometown parade. Everyone welcome. Applications at all the Aromas stores or call 726-2179.

This years events will once again feature our successful arts, crafts, antique and flea market booths in a street festival atmosphere, with Carpenteria Road and part of Blohm Ave. being closed from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M.. Spaces this year are being sold at $25.00 each and food booths at $75.00, anyone wishing to rent a space should call Kay Richmond at 726-2179 as soon as possible (there's only a few left!).

Free entertainment will continue all afternoon with music by Cimarron, Side Saddle, and the Sweet Adelines.

Last year the estimated attendance was put at 10,000 - nearly twice the party goers of previous years.

# PLAYSOCCER

*By Janet Fitzwater*
*726-1889*




UPDATE: There seems to be a misconception that signing up for soccer in May means playing soccer in the summer ,thus conflicting with little league baseball. This is not true. Early registration for the FALL Soccer season allows us, as a board, to do the most efficient job possible in the organization of balanced teams, coaches, referees, a few months helps us to meet processing and ordering deadlines.Since this is our first year,and we are learning as we go,we want it to be a positive experience for a successful future.Being organized makes it easier and more pleasant for everone.

At present, we have 85-90 registered players, and are still accepting players. We ask that you register as soon as possible to avoid last minute hassles. A $30 player fee, a copy of your birth certificate (to be kept on file with the league),and COMPLETED registration form are the only requirements. Cooperation in providing all three AT THE SAME TIME will help avoid delays and make our job alot easier. Interested, forms at Mission Video complete all three requirements and mail to:

AYSO REGION #680
PO BOX 522
Aromas, CA 95004

For those interested in soccer camp for your Children, NASC (North America Soccer Camp,Inc.) will be holding a camp in Prunedale as follows on August14-19,from 4-7pm at the cost of $81 per player. Contact me for free brochure.

Referee and coach clinics are tentatively scheduled to take place in Prunedale as follows:

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| Referee | Aug. 18-20 |
| Coach | Aug. 24-26 |

Clinics are well worth attending if you are interested in volunteering for either one of these. Further information will be passed on as I receive it. Please do not hesitate to call me for more information regarding any of aforementioned.

Games are tentatively scheduled to begin Sep. 9, 1989, with practices beginning sometime in August, at the discretion of the coaches.

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In May, Bruce Welden, our fund raising director, contracted the National Pro-AM Youth Fund to apply for a grant for our new soccer region here in Aromas. On July 11, they authorized a grant for $2,000 to assist with the purchace of soccor equipment. We would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their generosity.

The next board of directors meeting will be held Aug. 16, 7pm, at the Aromas Fire Station. Interested parties are welcome to attend.

# AROMAS 4-H CLUB

*by Nancy Perryman*

Why join 4-H? to develop skills and talents, to learn new things, to work together or by yourself, and to explore new career ideas through practical training experiences.

If you are nine years or older or going into the 4th grade you can join 4-H. You can stay in 4-H until the end of the calender year you turn 19.

4-H is free to join and the only required cost is accident insurance coverage. Depending on your project, sometimes you may have to buy supplies.

The 4-H clubs in California are sponsored by the University of California Cooperative Extension. The Aromas 4- H Club, which has members from each of the three counties in this area; Monterey, Santa Cruz, and San Benito, is administrated by the Monterey County Agricultural Extension.* The Aromas 4-H Club holds its community meeting the first friday of each month at 7:30 P.M. at the Aromas Grange.

Projects currently offered are - sheep; swine; beef; rabbits; flower arranging; clothing; crafts; cooking; ceramics; rocketry; photography and Jr. teen leadership.

4-H also needs adult volunteer leaders - so, if you have a special talent or interest and would like to share it - how about becoming a leader?

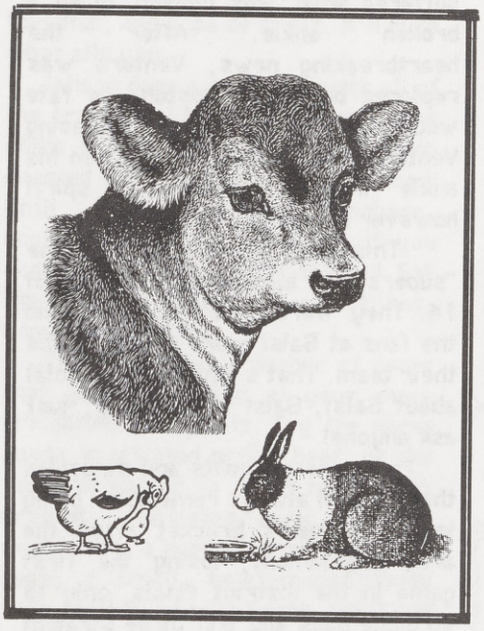
In the near future the club is planning a roller skating party and a fund raising dinner.

The Aromas 4-H club also does community service projects, such as; a canned food drive held last December and a recent community Easter Egg hunt. Due to rainy weather the egg hunt didn't have a lot of participants, but those that did come had fun finding candy filled plastic eggs and playing games.

Anyone interested in joining 4-H or becoming a leader are invited to attend the next community meeting Sept. 5, 1989, at 7:30 P.M. at the Aromas Grange.

At the June 5, 1989 community meeting, the following people were installed as 1989-1990 officers;

President: Billy Perryman
Vice President: Alice Leikam
Secreatry: Marina Parker
Treasurer: Nancy Lee
Reporter: Eugene Hayes
Sgt-at-Arms: Jordan Parker & Adam Lee
*4-H office - 118 Wilgart Way, Salinas, Ca. 93901



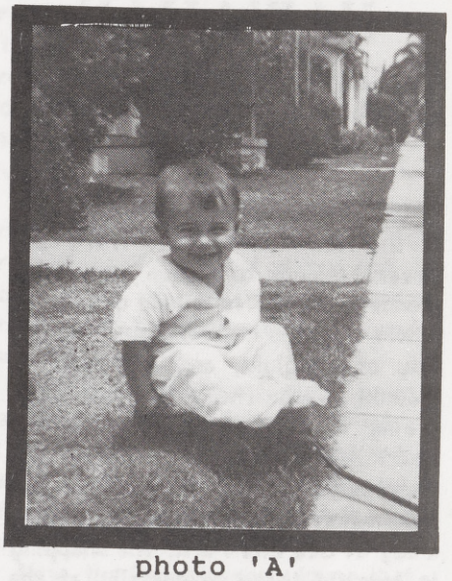


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# HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

*By Holly Sliter*

One of our favorite vacation spots is the Hawaiian Islands. There are several islands to choose from when planning a trip. The island of Oahu is where you find the very busy capital city of Honolulu, and the fabulous Waikiki Beach. There is great sight seeing for all ages on the island. Pearl Harbor is educational and impressive. We enjoyed a day at the Polynesian Cultural Center as well as a day at Sea Life Park. The shopping is terrific there, especially at the International Market Place. The Honolulu city lights are breathtaking at night.

The island of Maui has luxury hotels and condos sprinkled on the entire coast. The old whaling town of Lahaina hosts a variety of beautiful shops featuring rustic scrimshaw as well as beautiful art galleries and jewelry stores. This little town reminds me of Capitola. A short scenic boat ride will take you to a snorkeler's dream come true, where tropical fish come and eat out of your hand. A dinner cruise is a very romantic way to end a relaxing day.

The island of Kauai is the oldest of the islands. It is known for the colorful Waimea Canyon or the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific". In the winter, expert surfers challenge waves which reach heights up to 30 feet.

The island of Hawaii is known as the orchid island and features rolling ranchland, sun baked beaches and lush green valleys. Two volcanos dominate the island. When we were there, people were practicing for the annual Ironman Triathalon which is an annual event each October.

The friendly island of Molokai is the ultimate getaway. Beaches are never crowded and there are many fascinating attractions on this 37 mile long island.

The Hawaiian islands have something for every age and interest and we look forward to going back soon to this fun and affordable vacation destination.

# DISTRICT 39 CHAMPS!

After 14 years Salsipuedes Little League brought home the coveted District 39 flag. We at Salsi are bursting our buttons over this one. Our All-star team players for 1989 are alphabetically: VINNY BERRY, JASON BOSTON, JIMMY BRAZIL, PAUL CABANLIT, AARON DREW, DEREK FISCHER, MATT DUARTE, CESAR GUTIERREZ, MICHAEL HAAS, ROBBY KEENER, LAWRENCE SAAVEDRA, VENTURA LIMON, JAVIER MACIAS, JOEY PETERSON, JUAN SANTOS

Managing this years All-star team was Rick Stubblefield and head coach was Carlos Martinez, with assistant coaches, Nick Alaga, Steve Fischer, and Jerry Miller.

The All-star team was announced just before closing ceremonies on June 26th, and after that they got off to a rough start. During one of their practices Ventura Limon suffered what was thought to be a broken ankle. After the heartbreaking news, Ventura was replaced by Jason Boston. As fate would have it, after replacing Ventura the doctors informed him his ankle wasn't broken. His spirit however remained with the team.

This year there wasn't a lone "superstar", instead a real team of 14. They were great to watch and the fans at Salsi were really behind their team. That's what is so special about Salsi, Salsi is a family, just ask anyone!

There are moments and struggles that we will always remember: being in the winner's bracket after the area tournament, losing the first game in the district finals, only to struggle back and win three straight games and take the District 39 Championship.

There were of course the players, who we have watched mature all season and then really blossom as All-stars. On the mound we saw pitching that even made the sports writers stop and take notice: Paul Cabanlit , Juan Santos, and Cesar Gutierrez were our starting pitchers, with Michael "Moose" Haas and Aaron Drew doing the relief. We also had relief pitcher Matt Duarte, who while warming up managed to hit the bulls eye (our own manager Rick Stubblefield). There seemed to be a different hero each game, and some of the plays included a home run by Matt Duarte against Santa Cruz National to get back on the road to victory after losing to Capitola/Soquel. In a thriller at Marshall Field, 8 innings of breath holding, heart pounding excitement, Juan Santos hit a solid single and was credited with the game winning RBI. The final game of the district saw Juan Santos pitch the complete game on one day rest. The victory was backed up by Michael Haas' home run in the 5th which capped Salsi's scoring for the day and brought home after 14 years the District Flag. Salsi went on to section 5 play in Scotts Valley taking Bakersfield by a score of 5 to 3 with the big hit, a three run home run, by Jimmy Brazil. That would be the end of the road for Salsi, but not for the people involved. The Salsi family will remember 1989 as a year of excitement and joy

A piece of my heart goes out to every player, manager, coach, wives of managers and coaches, team moms, fans and board members. Thank you all for your support of Salsi and for making Salsi a place to have fun. We'd sure love to see any of you at our opening ceremonies in 1990 to raise for the first time our District 39 Flag. Consider yourself invited!

Sher Parsons
President
Salsipuedes Little League

# ANTOJITOS

*by the Rockblossoms*

Mexican food. It's probably more abundant around here, and there are certainly more Mexican restaurants here, than those representing any other ethnic group (with the possible exception of whatever ethnic group is represented by pineapple pizza with danish bacon and pita bread stuffed with eggs and ham). This is entirely appropriate given that Mexican food is great stuff, and that we sit on former Mexican territory in a community that may now be U.S. territory but is growing mas Mexicano en sabor cada dia.

We've eaten at hundreds of Mexican restaurants, from Tapachula to Vancouver, Catalina to Cataluna, and we're here to tell you that most of the best that Mexican cuisine has to offer is available within a short drive from the heart of Acaciaville.

But there is a lot of strange food out there being peddled as Mexican. Some of it is just not Mexican. Some of it is just no good. So here is our list of seven Mexican food no-nos. If you find any of these things in your favorite spot, get skeptical. If you find more than one or two of them, find a new dive:

1.HAMBURGER. Hamburger? There's no place for hamburger in Mexican food, except in my Oakie mama's artificially flavored tacos. Look for real meat that looks like it was just pulled or chopped off somebody's haunch.

2.GOBS OF SOUR CREAM. Inappropriate, except in Mexican borscht.

3.CHIPS MADE FROM FLOUR TORTILLAS. Yuck

4.PRE-FAB TACO SHELLS. Leave right now. This is not a restaurant, it's an expensive Taco-Bell.

5.MOUNTAINS OF SHREDDED LETTUCE. The vegi-matic is not a Mexican invention.

6.REFRIED BEANS TOPPED BY IMPENETRABLE LAYER OF GREASY MELTED CHEESE. These always seem to come on a platter so obscenely heavy with food that you can barely walk when you get up from the table.

7.CHILIS RELLENOS MADE FROM CANNED CHILIS and that consist of greasy bunches of batter that look kind of like oversexed jelly donuts. If the relleno ain't made with a home roasted, fresh, chili, chale.

It's hard to find a restaurant that does not violate at least one of these tabus. But we have found one, that, while not perfect, comes pretty close. That restaurant is Jalisco. When we first found Jalisco, we felt as if we had stepped off of Watsonville's Main Street into one of the great eateries that sit atop the Mercado Central in Guadalajara, Jalisco. It had the same funky atmosphere, the same cheap prices, and the same fantastic down-home food. Now that Jalisco has moved to more upscale digs, at 323 Main St. (former site of the Apple City Deli) the ambiente is much classier, but the food and the prices are the same.

The crowning glory at Jalisco is the caldo de res. This sublime beef soup is loaded with chunks of vegetables and beef shanks, and is served with hot, homemade corn tortillas, and sopa de arroz. It'll cure what ails you.

Jalisco does a great job with all of the traditional Mexican entrees. The chilis rellenos are made with fresh roasted chilis and are nicely sauced. Chili verde, bifstec ranchero, enchiladas are all excellent. If you order a taco, don't order it fried. Eat your goodies folded into a soft, hot, hand made tortilla.

Jalisco serves a number of items that you won't find at your more gringofied taco joints. Try the carne asada, marinated grilled beef, or the tacos al pastor, a treat made with braised, marinated pork. Or you might make a light summer lunch of a sope, a small, bowl-shaped fried corn shell filled with beans, meat and vegetables.

Jalisco does a fine job with traditional Jalisco seafood dishes. These include siete mares, a wonderful hangover-cure seafood soup, and entrees such as prawns in mojo de ajo (garlic) and prawns veracruzana.

If you're not drinking a dos equis with your meal, you might want to try a glass of agua, not water, but a home made thirst quencher made from fresh fruit. It's delicious and muy Mexicano.

Jalisco has a comfortable patio eating area, and is friendly to kids. It's a cheap place to eat. Lunch will set you back the cost of one six pack of domestic brew, and dinner the cost of one imported sixer.

Now, the Rockblossoms know that there are several other Mexican eateries real close to Acaciaville and that they each have their loyal adherants. All we can say is that we've tried them all, we have noted their strengths and their transgressions, y hemos regresado a Jalisco!



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# WIND WONDERS AROUND THE MONTEREY BAY

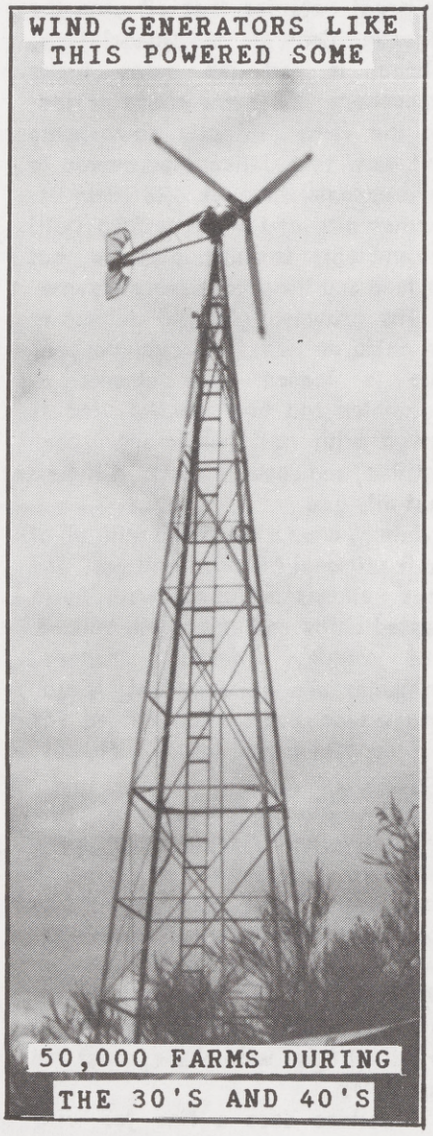
*by Joe Biondo*

part 1 of a series
'Earth Day and Alternative Energy'

Back in spring of 1970, when Earth Day made the front cover of Life, the back to nature movement was in full swing. Catalyzed by the debut of ecology, environmental awareness entered into the white hot spotlight and became the focus for what some people have called the last great natural renaissance. With ecological wisdom came the profound realization that Earth was indeed a self-sufficient spaceship far more delicately balanced than thought before. That balance extended through the rich superdiversity of life and made a silent invitation to man. The big question being pondered was "what is our proper niche on such a lushful planet?"

Appreciation of nature spread like wildfire as the great urban migration began to reverse, with hordes of people beginning an exodus into the countrysides. As all the polls showed then, and still do, most people preferred to live in the country or on a farm than to tolerate a suburban tract home existence. That conclusion was not a hard one to come by, as the great environmental enlightenment beckoned the masses to the remaining rural areas, the areas unmangled by progress. This back to the land movement, and the communes it inspired, was an appropriate response and finale to the gross mismanagement of the natural environment that society was becoming more and more equated with.

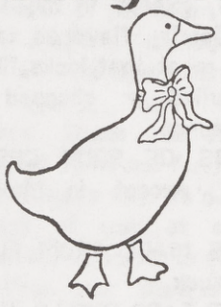
It was during these times that industry and technology were on trial for massive global pollution, as oil spills and smog alerts became corporate trademarks for their total disregard for the open environment. Gas-masked San Jose State students buried a freshly waxed Dodge Charger, while the newly created EPA began adding countless routinely used chemicals to its list of lethal substances. After reading through that particular issue of Life, with picture after picture of polluted lakes and streams with industrial plants in the background, it was easy to see the connection between economic growth and environmental deterioration. Not only did we realize that massive industrialization and urbanization annihilated countless species of wildlife, but it became apparent that we had cut ourselves off too.




Nowhere was the ecological connection felt more than in the field of energy. As we became aware that fossil fuels were of a limited nature, we found that working hard to increase productivity created a vicious cycle for even more raw materials. As era of limits rudely approached, the ironies continued to mount: not only could we dump tons of carbon monoxide into the atmosphere with our gas guzzling cars and trucks,. but now, with gasoline shortages, we had to wait in half mile long lines to do so. From petroleum refineries to hydroelectric dams, from supertankers to nuclear power plants, from supercentralized corporate utilities to international energy cartels, our conventional sources of energy began to be viewed as something less than desirable for our economy, our environment, our bodies, and our children. Socially responsible people began wondering if it was possible to become independent of commercial power sources that pollute, rise in cost, and were dwindling in supply. As the hidden costs of our affluency became more apparent, our eyes began to open even wider. As the saying went, "we have met the enemy, and it is us".

... to be continued next issue:
'The Politics of Alternative Energy'

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# ON YOUR OWN IN SOUTHEAST ASIA....

## (WITH A COUPLE OF FRIENDS)

*By John and Connie Huning. Asian travelers and writers. Both Hunings have traveled extensively in Asia since 1980.*

When planning a trip overseas, one of the basic decisions to make is to go on a tour or to travel on your own. There are advantages to both. On a tour, your days are planned and details and decisions are taken care of for you. Traveling on your own, you have the flexibility to decide what you want to see and do and where to stay and eat. You have unlimited choices without the regimentation of a tour. Tours are usually more costly than individual travel. On a tour, you are paying for middle persons to make your travel arrangements and to act as guides to escort you, to advise you, and to take care of such details as local transportation, tours, meals, luggage, confirmation of flights and a host of other minor items. Traveling on your own takes an adventurous spirit and confidence in yourself to handle the many details and minor difficulties which may arise during your journey. Lower costs and flexibility are the main advantages to individual travel.

During the early months of the new year, we begin planning our trip. First, we decide where to go in Asia. Then, we begin researching the countries and discussing what we want to see. Here is where we meet our first "friends"___travel and guide books. The APA Insight Guides and the Lonely Planet Travel Survival Kits proved the most valuable and are available upon request at most bookstores. The APA Insight Guides are a series of books on individual countries primarily in Asia. Each book covers a single country from A to Z. They are $14.95 a copy and are well worth the investment. We use these books as a general reference source. Perhaps the most valuable of our book "friends" are the Lonely Planet Books. Aside from general sections on facts about the country, there is specific information on how to get around in various cities with bus routes and numbers and costs, plus descriptions, recommendations and costs of restaurants and hotels. Southeast Asia on a Shoestring, a general work in the series, is a must for anyone considering traveling on their own. Our copies of the Travel Survival Kit on Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei and Thailand are worn and tattered from constant use during our travels. After all this, the moment of truth arrives. How much would the trip cost? This is where our second "friend" was contacted___the airline. Many airlines have extended their service to provide hotel accommodations and transfers for their passengers, as well as other special services upon request. The airlines have current information on the quality and price of hotels in cities where they have offices. They can also make reservations for you in other cities. If you book your hotel reservations through the airline, the price can include transfers to and from the airport and breakfast, plus local taxes and service charges. Such accommodations are pre-paid, which means you have less money to carry with you on your travels. If you decide to change your hotel upon arrival, you can return the unused voucher to the airline on your return home for a refund. Should you decide to pay for your hotel upon arrival, be aware that the price quoted usually does not include tax and service charges. These charges can be up to 20% each, in addition to the room rate. Western breakfasts in Asia are expensive, as much as $15.00, and transfers to your hotel from the airport can be a welcome experience for a weary traveler. If you decide to make your hotel arrangements upon arrival, look at the room before checking into it. See if it is clean. Does the plumbing and air-conditioning work? It can be annoying to get all settled into a room only to discover that nothing works or that you are sharing the room with unwanted four-legged creatures and their flying friends. Hotels recommended by guide books may have deteriorated since the book was published. This is especially true of moderately-priced hotels. On one of our trips we had the experience of checking into a hotel in Malaysia, which a guide book recommended, only to discover during the course of the evening that it had turned into a brothel. Needless to say, the next morning, it was off to the Malaysian Tourist Bureau to find a new hotel. They were very helpful and had current information on the quality and prices of hotels. So, if you are finding your own hotel, check with the local tourist bureau and compare their information with the guide books. Hotel prices throughout Southeast Asia vary greatly from moderate, $35.00, to $75.00+ for better quality. We have stayed in clean comfortable rooms for as little as $3.25. If you opt for a better quality hotel, you might want to request a room with a view. You can gain a different perspective of your surroundings which can be worth the extra money. Many hotels in Southeast Asia have a desk where you can book excursion trips around the city and outlying areas. The prices for excursions are about the same from one hotel to another because they are usually run by local tour agencies. Booking these trips through the hotel can maximize your sightseeing if your time in a city is limited. Hotel personnel can also advise you of the cost of a taxi to places of interest and will write your destination on the back of the hotel card. This information can be valuable when bargaining with a taxi or pedicab driver. Keep bargaining until you find a driver who will take you for that cost. It is important to negotiate the fare before you leave.



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During this trip to Southeast Asia, we booked our plane flights and most of our hotel accommodations through Philippine Airlines in San Francisco. Their staff was extremely helpful, efficient and friendly in making our unusual travel arrangements. The itinerary which we finally decided upon was: San Francisco to Manila; Manila to Kota Kinabalu (capitol city of the Malaysian state of Sabah in the northern part of Borneo), Kota Kinabalu to Kuala Lumpur; Kuala Lumpur to Penang (an island off the northern coast of Malaysia) by train; Penang to Bangkok by train; Bangkok to Chiang Mai (in northern Thailand; Chiang Mai to Hong Kong, Hong Kong to Manila, Manila to Baguio; Manila to San Francisco. Our trip lasted 28 days, and the air and train fare for all of the above, plus most hotels, was $2660.00 per person. Our first stop was on the island of Borneo. Kota Kinabalu (KK) and Sabah is an interesting and uniquely different area of the world. Still relatively unspoiled by tourism (we only saw four other westerns during our stay), the city is busily moving toward modernization. The people of Sabah are very friendly and we were often greeted with "Hello,Joe", a forty- year carry over from WWII. If we needed directions or other assistance, practically any passerby was ready to help us. K.K. is justifiably proud of its newly constructed National Museum which displays artifacts, replicas and arts of old Borneo. There is also a beautiful mosque close to the museum. Traveling outside of K.K. on your own is reasonable and easy to do. A trip to Mt. Kinabalu, the highest Asian mountain outside of the Himalayas, is a two-hour bus ride. To return to town you simply stand on the side of the road and wave down the next minibus or car. At first, we were hesitant to do this, but we had no problems and the bus stopped many times on the trip back to pick up local people. If you have the time and a few extra dollars, a trip to Sepilopk, the largest orangutan sanctuary in the world, is highly recommended. It is suggested that one stay overnight in Sandakan because transportation to the sanctuary is limited. The sanctuary is not a place to rush through just to make connections for the return to Sandakan and K.K. The aim of the sanctuary is to return "domesticated" and endangered orangutans to the wild. Formerly, orangutans were captured as babies, usually by killing the mother, and sold as pets. As the cuteness of babyhood was out-grown, the animals began to be abused and neglected. Fortunately, it is now against the law in Malayasia to have an orangutan for a pet. We timed our arrival at Sepilok so we could see the feeding of the orangutans who had been returned to the freedom of the jungle. For 45 minutes we followed the sanctuary worker through the jungle wading through streams, climbing over fallen trees and following what appeared to be at times an invisible trail. Hot and drenched with sweat we arrived at our destination: a large raised platform in the middle of the jungle. The sanctuary worker climbed the platform with a pail of milk and bananas which he had been carrying. He began in a loud voice to call out names: "Lulie", "Mama", "Wilson", "Susie". Then, we waited. The warden explained that the orangutans may not come. If they did not, it was a good sign for they would have returned to the wild to live on their own. After about ten minutes, the stillness of the jungle was broken by the distant crashing sound of animals traveling through the trees. Our first glimpse of the orangutans was a mother carrying her baby. Soon, the platform was occupied by the mother with her baby and five adolescent orangutans drinking milk out of cups, eating bananas and scampering around. After awhile we could hear another orangutan coming to join the picnic. "Wilson" had arrived. The worker explained that this was probably one of "Wilson's" last trips to the platform; for, he had made his home in the jungle. We left the platform in silence; each thinking of the experience we had shared and the plight of "Wilson" and his fellow orangutans. If in your travels, you are planning atrek into the jungle, wear enclosed shoes that you don't mind getting wet. Leeches like feet, as we found out from first-hand experience. ...to be continued: Malaysia, Thailand and Hong Kong

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# PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY, THE GRANGE

*By Shirley Calleson*

The Grange had its beginning in 1867, 121 years ago!
Seven men met in a small office in Washington D.C. on December 4, 1867, and, sitting around a small table planned what was to become the Grange as we know it today.

The father of the Grange movement is regarded as Oliver Hudson Kelley who was born in 1826. At a young age he took up a homestead in Minnesota and in the year 1886, as a member of the small, newly created Department of Agriculture, he was instructed, by Isaac Newton, the first Commisioner of Agriculture, to make a survey of farm and rural conditions in the South following the Civil War.

Kelley developed the idea of a fraternal organization of farmers from all over which would help to improve the economic situation of the country as well as the social condition of the farmers and help bring North and South together again.

Following his tour of the South, Kelley put forth his ideas to a group of friends in the government and these men: Oliver H. Kelley, William Saunders, Aaron Grosh, John Trimble, William Ireland, Francis McDewell and John Thompson, framed the ritual consisting of the Seven Degrees of the Order of the Patrons of Husbandry and the Constitution met on December 4, 1867 and the and there formally organized the National Grange. These seven men were assisted by Miss Caroline A. Hall, a niece of Kelley and who had been serving as his secretary.It was Miss Hall that suggested that women be admitted to membership on an equal with men.

In 1868 Kelley left the Department of Agriculture to begin establishing the new order throughout rural Ammerica, and on April 16, 1868 he organized Fredonia Grange #1 in western New York State. This grange is still active today.

Over 1,000 Granges were organized before the close of 1877 in more than one-half of the States of the Union.

The Grange has earned a unique position within the community, state and national affairs, it is an extremely strong legislative and educational force which places emphasis on moral and spiritual values, is family oriented and concerns itself with rural American progress and community betterment.

The Grange is now composed of well over 350,000 persons in more than 4,000 communities nationwide.



Aromas Grange, 1989

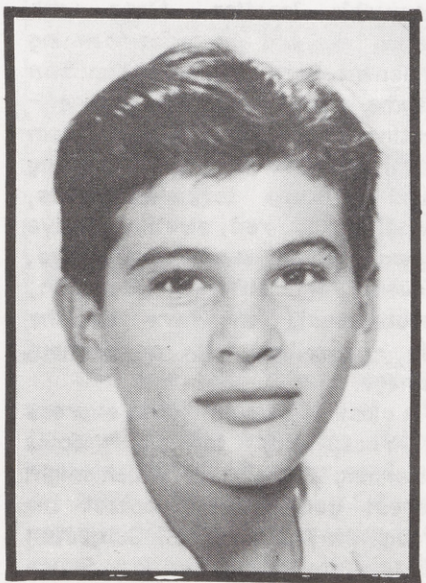


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# 23RD ANNUAL AROMAS DAY

*By Tony Langmayer*

Last year was probably the best Aromas Day I've been to in the past 12 years. Even though I was busy selling used movies like hotcakes, I still had enough time to wander around and see the many different booths and the diversified crowd of people.

The crowd was estimated at 10,000 by the organizers of the Aromas Day Festival, but it seemed to me that the figure should be closer to 15,000 (my opinion).

Anyhow, the best part of Aromas Day for me was watching the parade. I'm glad it will be a regular part of future Aromas Days. I think what was most impressive about the parade was Irish Meusel in his boxer shorts and the Carapinha's Limousine; along with the Peruvian Paso horses and all the dignitaries like state Senator Henry Mello, and Assemblyman Rusty Areias and Dolan Marshall, the unofficial mayor of Aromas (my opinion again).

The Aromas Service Club, the sponsors of Aromas Day came up with a gross income figure of approximately $10,000, which is double the cash of previous years.

In the past the money has been used for scholarships and to buy emergency equipment for the fire department.

You know, even though I'm a Dutch/Portugee/Californian, I really miss the German Band. The taste of beer just isn't the same without them.



The German Band
circa 1980

# Pet Care

The very same California climate that creates our Scintillating Sunsets and world renowned temperate conditions, also allows for medical problems that plague our animal friends. In this column, I hope to inform you about preventative and palliative measures which can lessen the impact of these problems in our pets. The most important piece of advice I, as a veterinarian, can give is: do not rely on your own judgement (or that of a friend) in attempting to "treat" your pet. The lay public is not trained, nor legally qualified, to provide medical care for animals. By attempting home treatment, many people delay the healing process and allow for the worsening of an on going disease process. I encourage you to act in your pets behalf; seek early and proper attention from the trained professional, a veterinarian. At the top of list of most commonly encountered seasonal ailments are fleas and foxtails (the two F words in the pet world). Flea control is actually very simple: use the right products on a regular basis. I recommend veterinary products-sprays or dips-for dogs and pander for cats; applied according to directions-at least every 2 weeks-over the entire body, down to the skin level. Additionally, for dogs, I suggest once or twice a month cleansing\shampooing with a mild dishwashing soap. The cleansing process is best approached with prolonged (5-10 minutes), massaging action and a very thorough rinse. Foxtails, on the other hand, present a menace which can rarely be remedied by the pet owner. Contrary to popular thought, plant material does not dissolve within the body over time, it must be removed. Foxtails embedded in different tissues allow for varying considerations of removal. Generally, if only one eye is being held shut\squinted at this time of the year, there is a good chance a foxtail is caught under the lid. If the pet is cooperative and you have the dexterity, these foxtails can often be "milked out" with gentle finger manipulation, but I strongly discourage the use of tweezers. If the animal resists or shows pain, I suggest veterinary attention within 24 hours. Keep in mind that it is always possible there maybe an infection or ulcer affecting the eye: thus, if the eye does not appear normal within 12-24 hours, seek professional assistance. as most of you know already, a dog which is hanging its head to one side or head shaking, must probably has a foxtail in the ear (and an ear infection). In most instances, removal necessitates veterinary equipment, if not sedation as well. Though not an emergency, a prickly foxtail in the ear canal can cause tremendous pain. To gain comfort and relief for your pet until a veterinarian is available, I suggest several drops of mineral or baby oil in the affected ear; along with 1 buffered aspirin per 60 pound dog, once (never use Tylenol in your pets, especially cats, nor aspirin in cats). The aural foxtail will not work its way out, but on the other hand, it will not go to the brain.

Of course, as some of you have experienced foxtails end up in every body orifice and embedded in every conceivable location. Along with location and accompanying signalment, here is a brief rundown of some other possibilities: nose - snorting, sneezing, bleeding from nostril; foot - lameness, draining wound between toes and pads, licking, raised, red, swelling; vulva or penis licking, swelling, drainage, frequent or difficult urination; subcutaneously anywhere on the body - swelling with or without drainage.

In closing, I would like to express my receptivity to any topics concerning animal care which might interest you. Please contact me through the Acacia or call. Subjects I plan to write about in the near future include feline leukemia, heartworm, diet, vaccinations, lyme disease, pet geriatrics, exotics.

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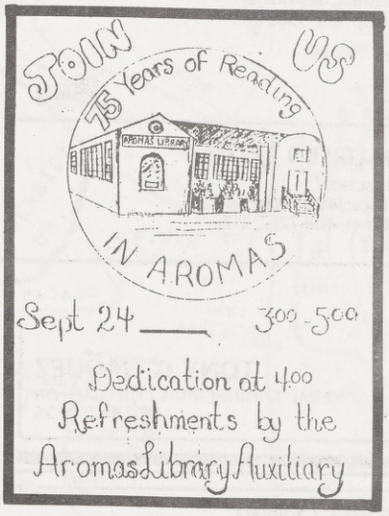
"WHAT IF THEY THREW A COMMUNE AND NOBODY SHOWED?"

Joe Biondo

# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Friends of the Aromas Library held a book sale on May 6, Saturday, on the library porch from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.. The sum of $80.00 was raised, for which we thank the buyers who came. We will hold another sale on Aromas Day, August 20, and would appreciate having your donations of paper backs or hard backs. Bring them to the Library on Wednesday to Saturday from 1 P.M. to 5 P.M. or telephone 726-1629 or 726-3240.

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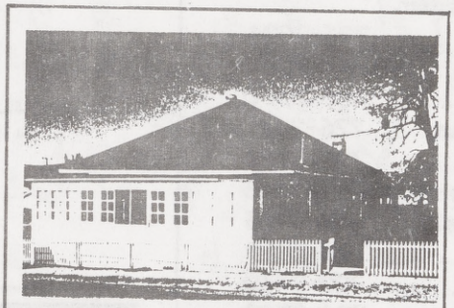
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# HAPPY 75TH

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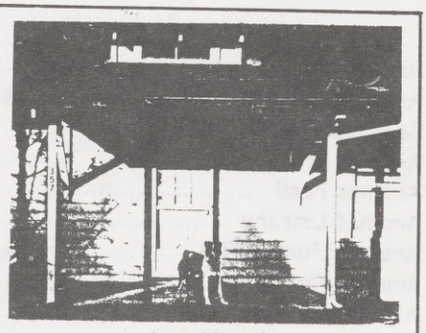
This year honors the 75th birthday of the Monterey County Branch Library in Aromas, established March 30, 1914.

The first custodian was Mis Lila Tobitt who operated it from her home at 365 Blohm Ave., across the street from todays Postoffice.



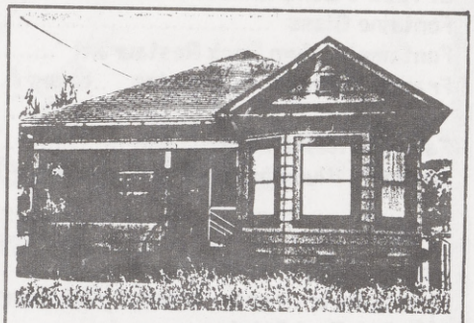
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1914-1915

One year later it was moved to the G.E.Bohnett home at 357 Carpenteria Rd. with Mrs. Bohnett operating it for 16 years until June 1, 1931. Then Mrs. R.E.Peaslee acted as librarian for 7 weeks in the same location with Mrs. Walter Reed taking over on Aug. 10, 1931 and distributing books in the same location until June 16, 1932.

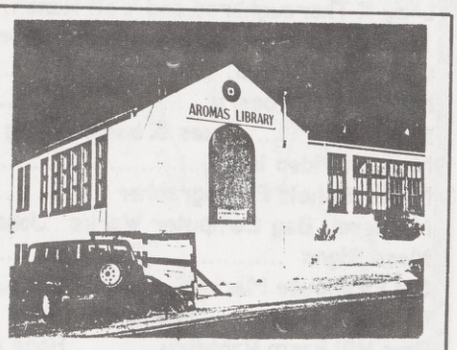


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Then on July 1, 1932, it was moved to the Bert Fly home at 370 Vega St. when Mrs. Fly was appointed Branch Library Assistant for one year more. Upon her retirement, due to ill health, Mrs. Hazel Martin was selected to replace her. Hazel remained for 16 years and was replaced by Pam Pugsley, who worked 2 years and 2 months. When Pam moved to Bend, Oregon, Bev Spencer was appointed and worked for one year. Then our present Librarian, Jean Baker, was named in Sept., 1987.



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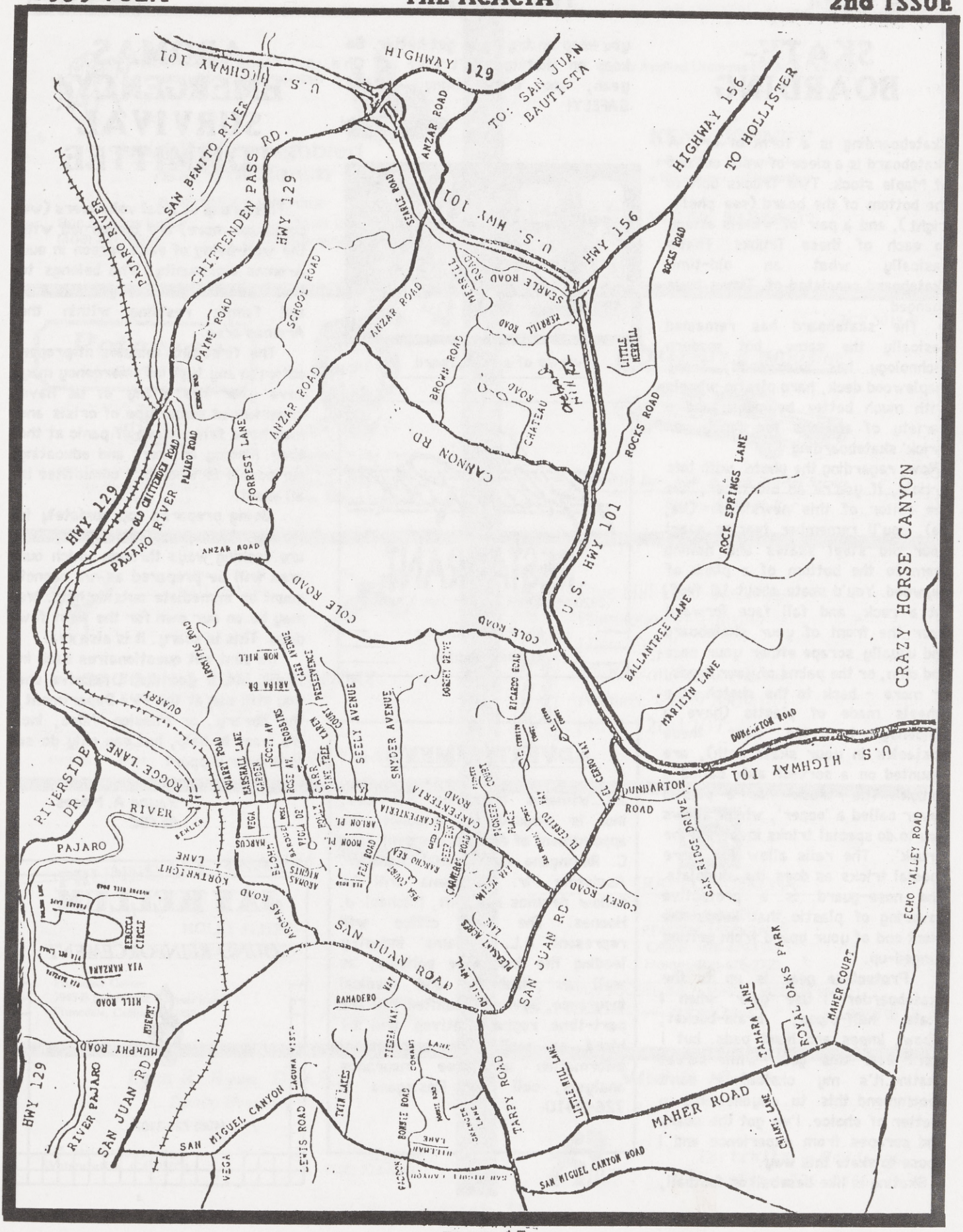
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# SKATE-BOARDING

Skateboarding is a form of art. A skateboard is a piece of wood cut out of Maple stock. Two Trucks bolt to the bottom of the board (see photo right), and a pair of wheels attach to each of these Trucks. That's basically what an old-time skateboard consisted of. Times have changed.

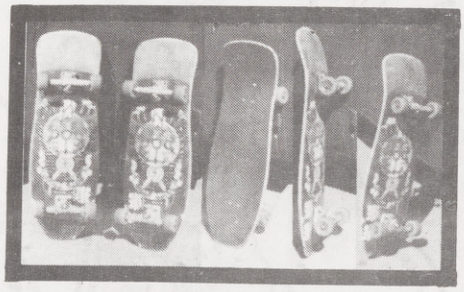
The skateboard has remained basically the same, but modern technology has intervened; 7-ply maplewood deck, hard plastic wheels with much better bearings, and a variety of add-ons for fancy, or 'trick' skateboarding.

Now, regarding the photo with this article, if you're an old-timer, like the editor of this newsletter (ha, ha), you'll remember tearing apart your old steel skates and nailing them to the bottom of a plank of plywood. You'd skate about 10 feet, hit a rock, and fall face forward over the front of your skateboard and usually scrape either your nose and chin, or the palms of your hands, or more - back to the sketch -the wheels made of plastic (have a tendency to ride over these obstacles in your skate path), are mounted on a sort-of axle called a 'truck'. The 'truck' has a plastic cover called a 'coper', which allows you to do special tricks involving the 'truck'. The rails allow for more special tricks as does the skidplate. The nose-guard is a protective covering of plastic that keeps the front end of your board from getting banged-up.

Protective gear is up to the skateboarder. I use 'gear' when I skate half-pipes; brain-bucket, elbow, knees and hand pads. but I don't wear this 'gear' while street skating.It's my choice. I don't recommend this to anyone! It's a matter of choice. I've got the scars and scrapes from experience and I chose to skate this way.

Skating is like baseball or football, you keep on trying to get better. So keep on skating...don't give up! Oh yeah, one more thing, SKATE SAFELY!

*Shane Nuki*



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The first few minutes of proper action in any type of emergency may save your life. Many of us have experienced some type of crisis and may have felt a wave of panic at the time. Finding answers and educating our people is what this committee is all about.

Being prepared appropriately is the key through any emergency. We are seeking ways through which our area will be prepared as we cannot count on immediate outside help. We may be on our own for the first few days. This is scary. It is also real.

We sent out questionaires back in April, but if you didn't receive one you still can at the Fire Department, the library, or Mission Video, Inc. We want to help, but can only do so with your support.

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# A WOLF IN YOUR LIFE

*By Joyce Koley*

Some people would shudder at the word WOLF, but here at our ranch we have learned to love and understand these magnificent animals. The Fish and Game laws will not allow a pure wolf without a permit so ours are classified as Wolf/Hybrid, which in simple language means they have some type of dog mixed in their wolf lines. You just don't mix any type of dog with a wolf. The most common breeds are German Shepherd, Malamute, and Husky. I have nothing against Husky, but I don't like the combination in the Wolf/hybrid lines. But then there are some who don't like the German Shepherd- Wolf mix, and there are some who don't even like the Wolf/ Hybrid period.

But as man keeps hunting and trapping the wolf, soon there will not be any wolves left. Hurray! You might say. But stop and take a good look. Have you ever heard of a wolf attacking a human in a forest? Only in the Fairy Tales of old have you heard of such nonsense, we call that the "Little Red Riding Hood Syndrome". I am going to try and change your mind about that.

The wolf has always had a bad name for himself. The question is: Why? There have been stories of wolves caring for lost children in the woods. This may be true as the wolf lives in a pack.

The pack consists of the Alpha male and the Alpha female, which are the breeding pair. Wolves mate for life or until death due them part. Their family structure is very similar to human, as they take care of their young as a family affair. This includes the male and the aunts, uncles and whomever might be part of the pack. (We have observed this in our own pack also. The female takes care of the newborn cubs, as wolves are known, until they can move around on their own and then the dad will baby sit or uncle Triste' will take over).

Right now our pack consists of six Wolf/Hybrids ranging from 71% to 97% purebred. Kasandra, our first purchase, Grizzly von Rudlehaus (Rudy for short),Triste' Lobo (meaning lonesome wolf), Mariah von Rudlehaus, Aurora and Cheyenne. Rudlehaus, in case you are interested, is the German word for house of wolves". That is basically what we have, a house of wolves. Aurora and Cheyenne are the offspring of Triste' Lobo and Mariah. They are six months old at this writing and full of mischief. There is never a dull moment when they are in action around the place. For some reason they love to destroy the pampas grass, not that we really care, but they will tear out the new growth and run around with it in their mouths. I have yet to figure this one out as every time I touch it I get a cut from the sharp leaves. Doesn't seem to bother them.




On a more serious note -- wolves are hunted from airplanes in Alaska. Hunters will chase one wolf until he can run no more, then tranquilize him, radio collar him send him back to the pack so they can then chase the whole pack out to kill. Really fair game isn't it? Hunters say the wolf is killing off all their game, but I would say it is the two- legged not the four-legged ones that are the culprits as far as game is concerned. Don't get me wrong, I don't have anything against hunting if it is for survival. But to go and kill just for the heck of it so you can have some animal's head over your mantel and the carcass left to rot is not hunting to me.

Wolf lovers across America are trying to establish a WOLF AWARENESS WEEK sometime in November. If you are interested in supporting this, please contact your local representatives and let them know you are aware of what is going on and would like to help save the wolf from extinction.

Along with owning a Wolf/Hybrid comes a commitment to it. You are a pack for life, there is no divorce!

For further information on stopping aerial hunting of wolves:

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In addition to a full scale country festival, we will be providing youth and family oriented musical, dramatic, and sporting events.

Among the performers are an internationally acclaimed drama troupe, the Covenant Players, and the Aromas Community Cildren's Choir. We expect to have a clown and are talking with other musicians and entertainers. Our plans include a basketball instructional camp and tournament for sixth, seventh and eighth graders.

All funds generated by the Aromas Service Club on Aromas Day are used to create and support programs that benefit the community.

We invite all believers to participate in a special 9:30 a.m. worship service.

7:00a.m. Street Festival / 11:00 a.m. Parade

12:00 Stage Entertainment / 1:00 - 4:00 Basketball

*Dick Pisik*
*Pastor*

# 1959

*By Tony Langmayer*

What kind of a year was it? There was sex, scandal, confrontation and foolishness. A year like any other. Let's take a look back:

The original seven astronauts were presented in April - they were Schirra, Slayton, Glenn, Carpenter, Shepard, Grissom, and Cooper.

Quiz shows got the axe, as Charles Van Doren, who had won $129,000 on Twenty-One admitted to Congressional investigators that he had taken part in rigging on the show.

Vice president Nixon had the pleasure of dealing with Russian Premier Khrushchev.

On January 8, Fidel Castro entered Havana after having taken control from Batista.

Cat on a Hot Tin Roof (by Tennessee Williams) brought Elizabeth Taylor and Paul Newman together, and Marilyn Monroe starred in Some Like it Hot, one of the big film hits of the year.

It was the year of the phonebooth. Students at Southeast Missouri State College claimed a record of 35 persons in one phone booth.

.....it was a time that I remember because of the music of

Dion and the Belmonts....I was 10 years old....girls were different, I didn't know why....San Jose, Ca. was still relatively small....and my grandfather had a cattle ranch in a little town named Aromas.

# The Ark, Foursquare Church of Aromas

We live in a culture that tells us that contentment and joy are found through self-realization, and focusing on ourselves. Joy really comes when we turn the inward focus outward, and begin serving others.

God has a plan and purpose for each one of our lives here on earth; and the purpose is to glorify Him by the life we live, by the work we do, and the service we give through fruitful, life-long ministry. Ministry is not a professional church term. It's a description of our service to the Lord through serving others.

Are you making the choices today, to seek God and His kingdom above all else? Or are the pleasures of this world your first priority? It has been said that the older we get, the more we realize that service to others is the only way to stay happy. If we do nothing to benefit others, we will do nothing to benefit ourselves.

If you have always wanted to be part of a group serving your community, a local group of people who are committed to following Christ, growing in discipleship, and reaching out in love to the community of Aromas, then come join us at The Ark, Foursquare Church, on Sunday mornings at 10:00 and Wednesday evenings at &:00. We're located across from the Grange.

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# RED TAIL HAWK

By LINDA MATUSICH

Have you ever been driving along and seen those large birds circling lazily above the hills? Or do you even notice such things?

Perhaps you're one of those people that never raise their eyes above the level of the pavement or the occasional stop sign, or maybe you've dismissed them as "just more buzzards". In the spirit of "stop and smell the roses"---stop and watch the birds! They're fascinating creatures (and no, kids, I don't mean the kind of creature that chased Sigourney Weaver in Alien).

There are indeed buzzards up there-- actually they're Turkey Vultures--but the large and graceful birds I'm referring to are Red-tailed Hawks.

You can tell them from the vultures by the beautiful rusty-orange tail that's usually held in a broad fan shape and by their loud "kreeeeee" calling. Vultures also tip from side to side when soaring, where the Red-tail holds steady.

They're abundant in our area despite the plowing up of their hunting grounds. The eucalyptus trees that stand proudly on almost every hill are their first choice for nesting, as they're the tallest trees available.

The ranchers and farmers of years past considered them "varmints" and tried their darndest to get rid of them. But today's enlightened agriculturalist realizes that the hawk's diet consists almost entirely of the very varmints they hate.

A typical Red-tail Sunday brunch might include appetizers of field mice, a main course of ground squirrel, with a lizard or two thrown in for flavor.

The hawks, along with the other birds of prey such as eagles, owls and falcons, are doing naturally what the farmers pay good money for--getting rid of rodents.

The newest residents in the hawk communities--this spring's hatchlings--are up there right now learning all the tricks of the trade from their parents.



With the coming of fall, though, the once attentive pupils become typical teenagers, roaming about the neighborhood generally harassing the inhabitants. They make false passes at small flocks of birds, teasing and playing with one another, diving at falling leaves and making general nuisances of themselves.

The Indians called fall the "Crazy Months" because all the animals became feverishly active in preperation for the up-coming winter. Many store food, most store fat in their bodies, and some--as in the case of the young Red-tails--indulge in odd behavior without really knowing why.

So if you're driving along sometime in the fall and see some large, dignified bird chasing a falling leaf, just nod knowingly and chalk it up to the "Crazy Months"

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NOTE: For further reading for young an old alike, Roger Tory Peterson's A Field Guide To Western Birds is a valuable reference and guide to our winged friends.

# EARTHQUAKE

At 1:13 a.m. an earthquake registering 5.1 on the Richter scale was felt on the morning of August 8, 1989. It was centered near Lexington Reservoir (by Los Gatos) and an aftershock of 4.2 was felt 1/2 hour later. A second earthquake made its presence felt at 9 a.m. registering 4.5 on the Richter scale. Damage was minimal, but the shaker apparently caused the death of a 19 year old man who jumped from a fifth story apartment window.

by Travis Blagg
Acacia reporter

## CROSSROADS

By Mike Hoenes

Quote: "I can't decide whether it's time to enjoy middle age, or whether I still have to set an example for my son".

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# SO HIGH IN THE SKY

*By Jim Wilkinson*

Good news! Thanks to the efforts on the part of the Experimental Aircraft Association and other organizations and individuals, The Federal Aviation Administration has authorized a new category of pilot certificate effective August 31 this year. Recognizing that a large number of people desire to fly for recreation only, and the cost of qualifying for a private pilot's certificate has risen to prohibitive levels for most of us, a recreational pilot's certificate has been approved that requires a minimum of 30 hours (15 dual and 15 solo) as opposed to 40 hours for a private pilot's certificate.

The applicant must be 17 or older, hold a third class medical certificate and pass a written test and check ride. Naturally limitations are greater too. If a cross country of more than 50 miles is planned, the recreational pilot must receive instructions and endorsement from a flight instructor. Minimum visibility must be at least 3 miles, and visual reference with the ground must be maintained. Night flying is prohibited as is flying in airspace that requires communication with air traffic control. Only one passenger is permitted and the airplane must have no more than 4 seats, one engine, must have fixed landing gear, and require only one pilot. Flight must be in the U.S.A. below 10,000 feet or 2,000 feet above ground level, not for compensation or passenger airlift for charitable organizations or a demonstration flight for a prospective buyer.

An annual flight review of one hour on the ground and one hour in the air with a certified flight instructor is required until 400 hours is accumulated, the same as is required of a private pilot. A recreational pilot certificate can be upgraded to private pilot's certificate by completing the additional ground and flight instructions and passing the tests. Most flight schools will begin instruction now.

With the increasing complexity of flying in positive control airspace driving the average training time for a pilot is 70 plus hours, this is the first real break for the recreational pilot in 45 years.

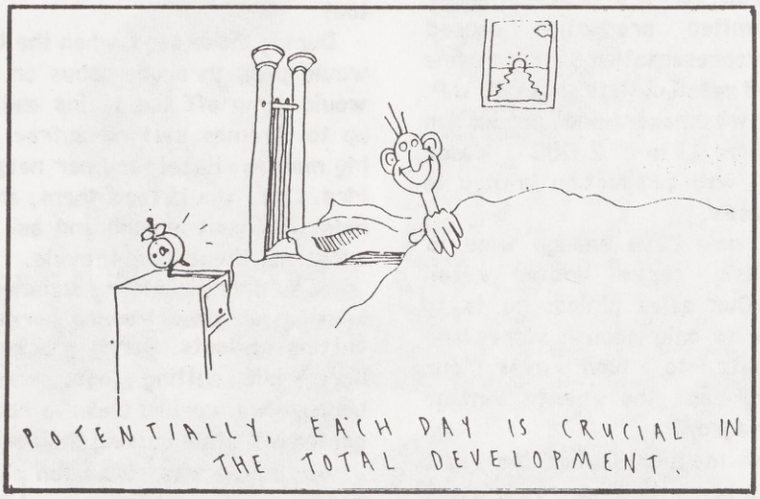
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# WINE, WINE, WINE, HEY BUDDY!

*By Tony Langmayer*

River Run Vintners is owned and operated by Kristine Arneson and J.P. Pawloski. They've been in business now for almost seven years and they're located on Rogge Lane just over the bridge from downtown(?) Aromas.

Kris; "River Run Vintners purchases grapes from vineyards statewide. The white grapes are from Ventana Vineyard, Monterey County. Wines made from Ventana Vineyard grapes won more awards in the 1987 season than any other vineyard in the united states. The Cabernet Sauvignon originates in the redwood valley of Mendocino County. The winemaker is personally responsible for all aspects of the grape harvest at this 13 acre vineyard. The Zinfandels are from a small 100 year old vineyard in San Benito County. Dry farmed and grown without the use of chemicals, Wirz Vineyard produces classic Zinfandels.

Bonded in 1978, River Run garnered a gold medal at the Orange County Fair for it's first Zinfandel. Very limited production caused spotty representation in the few scattered retail outlets. In 1982 J.P. became winemaker and production skyrocketed to 2,000 cases annually, with production limited to 3,000 cases.

We now have enough wine to continuously serve limited retail outlets. Our sales philosophy is to sell wine to only enough stores and restaurants to turn over our inventory as the next vintage becomes aged."

Now maybe I'm not the right person to be writing an article about wine, but I do know what tastes good to me. I am particularly fond of of River Run's Riesling and you can find this wine and all the other award winners at Marshall's Grocery store and the Old Firehouse Market located smack-dab in the center of Aromas.

# SUMMERS LONG AGO IN AROMAS

I have lived all my life in Aromas. My father, Harold Martin was also born and raised in Aromas. I'm raising my daughter, Kari Stephens here too. Not a bad place to call home, especially during the summer months, my favorite time of the year.

Growing up here was an adventure during the late fifties and early sixties. As a young child it was fun to pack a lunch and go with Ronnie and Reba Cox to venture to the Quarry or climb up a hill overlooking Aromas.

There were very few houses, and wide open spaces to wander and run. We also liked going to the store and purchase ice cream cups and ice. Then we'd put the ice cream cups and ice in our little red wagons, cover it with a piece of plywood, then walk all around Aromas and sell the ice cream cups. We usually sold all of them (what we didn't sell, we'd eat!).Lemonade was a good one to sell too!

During those days when the trains would pass through, hobos or bums would jump off the trains and walk up to Aromas seeking a free meal. My mother, Hazel, and her neighbor, Mrs. Cox, would feed them, and we kids would sit around and ask them questions about their travels.

As I grew older, summertime became job time. Picking berries or cutting apricots. Berry picking was hard, but cutting 'cots was fun because we worked under a roof and goofed off while cutting the apricots.

The river was also a fun place to go swimming or picnicking. I had to sneak down to the river because my mother didn't want me to go there (she thought I'd drown or just get into trouble).

Aromas was fun and very slow moving then. The friends I made growing up here have remained my friends. The smell of summer in a small town never leaves your senses. Freshly mowed lawns, garlic in the air from Gilroy, honeysuckle and lilacs from atop the hills blowing down upon Aromas in the late summer evening. Oh what summers!...I'll never forget them.

*Christine Jackson*



Ronnie Cox, Christy Jackson, Rheba Cox



photo 'E'
(see inside back cover)

# BUD & LOU

*By Tony Langmayer*

"Tell me, what's the fellows name on first base?"
"No, What's the fellows name on second base."
"I'm not asking you who's on second."
"No, Who's on first."
"I don't know."
"He's on third, we're not talking about him."

'Who's on first'... this routine has been one of the most famous of Abbott & Costello's and they will probably be remembered best for it. It's been seen and heard in burlesque houses, on radio, film and TV and also hangs in the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y..

Bud & Lou were not the critics' choice, since they rarely used gags less than 10 years old. But they were the people's choice for over a decade, making box-office records in the 40's. Their comedy was based on the belief that people didn't want to think, they wanted good old visual belly laughs.

Both of them were from New Jersey. Bud was born on October 2, 1898, and Lou was born on March 6, 1908.

Bud was born into a show business family, his father was an advanceman for Ringling Brothers' Circus. He didn't do particularly well in school and dropped out at the age of 15. He became a cashier at a burlesque theatre and slowly but surely worked his way to the stage.

Lou wasn't born into a show business family, but he did have the same school problems as Bud so he dropped out of school, decided to be an actor, and headed West. He didn't get very far and returned to New Jersey. After a short time working in a slaughterhouse he became a prize fighter, and after 14 bouts and about as many broken ribs, left for the West again.

Bud & Lou finally met each other in St. Joseph, Missouri, and for the next eight years they compiled routine after routine until they amassed over 16,000 comedy routines, a fact so extraordinary that it was mentioned in Ripley's "Believe it or Not."

The following is a partial list of the movies they made;

One Night in the Tropics, Buck Privates, In the Navy, Hold That Ghost, Keep 'em Flyin', Who Done It?, Hit the Ice, Abbott and Costello meet Frankenstein, Abbott and Costello in Hollywood, Abbott and Costello Meet the Mummy. They made 40 films throughout their career. They made several appearances on the Colgate Comedy Hour, and even had their own TV series.

Bud and Lou had some falling-outs, and after more than 30 years together, their partnership ended in 1957.

After constant battles with rheumatic fever, Lou died of a heart attack on March 3, 1959, at 52 years old.

Bud still made the headlines, but not in comedy. The U.S. Government was prosecuting him for back taxes amounting to $750,000. Bud had to sell everything, including his rights to his films to pay the bill. He died of cancer on April 24, 1974.

The little fat guy and the skinny hustler have made people laugh for the last four decades. Some people hated them, some people loved them. I loved 'em, they still make me laugh.

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# ART IN UNLIKELY PLACES

*By B. Hawk*

Wildlife paintings, drawings, and prints by local artist Linda Matusich will be on display at Mission Video, Inc. as part of an exhibit set up for Aromas Day, Sunday, August 20th.

A graduate of Watsonville High School, Linda has lived and worked in the Pajaro Valley most of her life. Her art career began in the field of commercial art, spanning twenty-one years of such diversified subjects such as fashion illustration, corporate logos, and community posters. In the beginning she even painted custom show cars and motorcycles.

Admittedly her favorite accomplishment to date is being one of the artists to construct and paint the dolphins, porpoises, and whales that hang in the Hall of Mammals at the Monterey Bay Aquarium.

She now devotes her time entirely to painting and drawing wildlife. Her work may be seen at Wildlife of the World Gallery in Carmel, and now at Mission Video, Inc.

The works will be part of an on-going exhibit of art, jewelry and other crafts for sale by artists from as far away as Canada and Mexico.

The emphasis of the exhibit is on Native American art and themes. It features limited edition prints by Baje Whitethorne and original watercolors by Ron Toahani Jackson, both Navajo artists from Arizona.

The paintings and prints are accompanied by beadwork, custom moccasins by Carol Lindhorse, and silver and turquoise jewelry by Little Bear and other Native American silversmiths.

The exhibit is the beginning of a growing collection for viewing and for sale in what was once exclusively a video store. The owner of the store, Tony Langmayer, has



Linda Matusich, Wildlife Artist

such an interest in the art of Native Americans, that his interest soon became part of his business. The effort to display both videos and art has resulted in an odd but definitely interesting visual effect.

Tony pursues this interest with the vitality that goes into all his endeavors, so the exhibit is continuing to grow and will soon need a place of its own.

It's definitely worth stopping by Mission Video Inc, to see the "art in unlikely places".

# WHY NOT A HOUSE RABBIT?

*By Hope Cahill*

Does your neighbor threaten you with a tape recording of your dog barking all day while you're at work? Were you late in getting the dog's vaccinations and licenses this year? And how about those cat fights at mid-night? Better keep yours in so it doesn't end up with more abscesses and Vet. bills.

If you'd like to avoid all this and still have a loving pet, try a rabbit. They come in all shapes, sizes, colors, and temperaments. But there are some things they all have in common; they take up very little room; they won't beg at the dinner table; they have no body odor; they don't cost much to feed; and they're easily trained to use a litter box. If you don't want to get rid of your dog or cat, the rabbit will easily adapt if introduced to the rest of the family in a nonintimidating environment. I have dogs, cats, and rabbits and they all get along.

A rabbit is an ideal "first pet" for the young child, a great project for a 4-H or FFA youngster with limited room and budget, and fun for a single person or family.

Owning a "House Rabbit" can be a very positive experience for everyone and especially in helping a child to be responsible for the care of a creature dependent solely upon him. So let's all hug a bunny today!






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# FROM THE EDITOR

I would like to thank the following people for their support and help in establishing the first issue of the ACACIA; Albert & Alzora Snyder, Dolan & Rose Marshall, Jean Baker, Ted & Sher Parsons, Kathryn & Mitch Nichols, Jim Wilkinson, Old Firehouse Market, Pam Fischer, Steve Woolpert, Lynn Harrington, Bonnie Mahler and crew at the Deli, Frankie Kalich, Steve Rhoads, Pastor Dick Pisik, Glenn & Sandy Spitzer, Dan Fitch & The Register Pajaronian, Tim & Kay Richmond, Norman & Donna Kato, the Aromas Service Club, Pastor Bill Wright, Lynn Ryan, D.D.S., Denise Carter, Marion McLean, Mike Hoenes, Lynn Covington, Janet Fitzwater, Mike & Jill Ortiz, Michelle Faeth, the Aromas Tri-County Fire Protection District, Granite Rock, the Santa Cruz Sun, Joyce Brooks, Holly Sliter, Christi Neilson, Futzie Nutzle, Joe Saxe, Postmaster George Bloesch and his team, Joe (Mondo) Biondo, Jan York, the Blagg's, the Rockblossoms, Dennis & Barbara Lange, Nancy Sexton, Frank Latessa, Rowland Baker, Myrna Hanses, Dereck Hayberg, China Justus, my sons, Chris and Aaron, my daughter Dani, my wife Mari, and the Aromas kindergarten class of 1988-89 and all the other people who helped to get ACACIA going.

With your help and support the ACACIA will succeed.

From my heart, Thank You,

Tony Langmayer

Tony Langmayer,
Publisher, Editor, etc., etc.,

P.S. I sort-of like the title C.C.B.W. (chief cook and bottle washer), don't you?

P.P.S. No, I didn't forget Jason and Troy I just assumed (there's something about that word?) since they're a permanent part of the cast and crew, I wouldn't have to mention them. Jason Kalich and Troy Hagan, take a bow!

.....thanks henry humble.....

# I SHALL NEVER FORGET.....

*"THE AROMAS COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S CHOIR"*

We hoped for 20...in walked 40! All different ages and sizes. They came in apprehensive..."What is this?" "A children's choir?....."A red bow and tie and white shirt?.....Oh please do we have too?".....What is choreography?".....High notes, low notes --- what do you mean our voices have to blend?"

WORK -- YES, THE REWARD -- GREAT!

"We Are The Kids of America", they sang, "With God's help we'll take a stand!" That's what they did! No one would rob them of the joy of singing. They made their choice....They took their stand.... and sang....THEY DID! Now their peers are asking if they can be a part of the 'Aromas Community Children's Choir'.

I shall never forget..... the special bond of friendship I gained working with Vicki Blagg and Donna Kato and the cooperative effort that made the choir a success.

I shall never forget..... Gabe's enthusiasm, Kimberly's compassion and tears, Amanda's desire, Travis' boldness to take a verbal stand, Katie's determination, Jenny's sensitive heart, little Ross's strong solo voice, Erin's bouncy willingness, Ryan's pride in accomplishment, Louis' strong sense of responsibility. The dedication and love each one gave.....Kristi, Melanie, Kearstin, Billie, Kevin, Betsy, Elizabeth, Ben, Kellie, Rochelle, Sarah, Melissa, Carrie, Mindy, Andy, Alie, Jaedra, Christine, Sara, Chris, and of course, my own children, Mandy, Shawn, and Travis.

Every face a cherished memory, every voice an accomplishment. Remember... "God gave the song" - You had the joy of finding it! Thanks for the beautiful memories kids!

Love, Jan York

Please call Vicki at 726-1014 for more information .

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